

## ABSOLUTE RATING: Excellent

Number of career centers in the state: 40.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from Average to Excellent.

### RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating
2001	Excellent	N/A
2002		
2003		
2004		

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

Percent of students eligible to attend the center who enrolled in one or more courses: 38.98%

### PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

Student Groups	Percent Mastering Core Competencies		Percent Receiving Diplomas		Percent Placed in Field	
	This Center	State Center Average	This Center	State Center Average	This Center	State Center Average
All Students	81.98%	73.65%	97.83%	94.64%	95.96%	96.21%
Students with disabilities on diploma track	88.89%	48.53%	88.89%	92.31%	80.00%	96.23%
Gender						
Male	80.26%	69.22%	96.91%	93.98%	97.12%	97.36%
Female	83.71%	78.86%	98.85%	95.35%	94.71%	94.85%
Ethnic Group						
White	84.00%	80.06%	97.53%	96.35%	95.82%	97.05%
African American	70.11%	64.34%	100.00%	91.79%	96.72%	94.82%
Other	75.00%	78.36%	N/A	96.75%	100.00%	95.33%
Lunch Status						
Free/reduced lunch	70.00%	65.94%	100.00%	91.21%	95.71%	94.19%
Pay for lunch	85.50%	76.40%	97.52%	95.81%	99.26%	98.05%

## SCHOOL PROFILE

### INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Median Career Center
SCHOOL			
• Dollars spent per student	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Prime instructional time	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Student-teacher ratio	N/A	N/A	29.0 to 1
STUDENTS (n=739)			
• Attendance rate	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Retention rate	N/A	N/A	N/A
TEACHERS (n=22)			
• Professional Development days per teacher	5.0 Days	Down from 9.6	8.5 Days
• Attendance rate	95.7%	Down from 95.8%	95.7%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	13.6%	Down from 19.0%	24.0%
• Continuing contract teachers	77.3%	Up from 4.8%	81.0%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0.0%	No change	0.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	93.6%	Down from 98.3%	90.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$40,375	Up 2.7%	\$39,220

### SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Median Career Center
SCHOOL FACTS			
• Dropout rate	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Director's years at the center	12.0	N/A	5.0
• Parents attending conferences	99.0%	N/A	27.8%
STUDENTS			
• Suspended or expelled	3	N/A	3
• With disabilities	1.8%	N/A	1.4%
• Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	49.3%	N/A	18.0%
• Enrollment in career and technology center courses	739	N/A	643
• Career students participating in work-based experiences	87.4%	N/A	16.1%



## PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

With an enrollment of over 1,000 students, the Career & Technology Center provides occupational and technical education for Wren, Palmetto, and Belton-Honea Path High School students in grades 10-12. Our major accomplishments for 2000-2001 include:

- \*Two instructors attained National Teacher Certification
- \*Students participated in 1,037 School-To-Work experiences
- \*51 students won in District and State competitive events
- \*42 students were inducted into the National Vocational Technical Honor Society
- \*215 seniors received career and technology education certificates
- \*34 students received dual credit (college and high school) in Culinary Arts and the Academy of Finance
- \*New facilities include a welding classroom/lab constructed to serve students and meet the employment demands of industry
- \*Equipment upgrades include a \$63,400 Appalachian Regional Council grant to upgrade equipment in Computerized Video Production
- \*Licenses were awarded to 32 Certified Nursing Assistants and to 7 Cosmetology students
- \*Initiated new Commercial Design program
- \*113 business, industry, and education representatives serve on 15 Advisory Councils

To better serve our students, the Career & Technology Center features state-of-the-art equipment, up-to-date facilities, strong instructional leaders, and competent administrative and support staff. The Career & Technology Center is recognized for providing the best possible career training in the state for high school students. The 2001 Southern Regional Education Board High Schools That Work team commended the center for its leadership in establishing current technology programs that meet the ever-changing needs of business and industry.

### EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	96.0	82.4	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0	84.1	
Satisfied with home-school relations	70.8	87.3	

### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

- Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.
- Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.
- Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.
- Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.
- Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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**Grades** 9-12 Career Center  
Enrollment: 739 Students

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## THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School  
Report Card

2001

School Grade:  
Excellent

### South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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